


REMARKS

Claims 1 and 10 remain in this application. Claims 2-9 have been amended by eliminating multiple dependent claims and deleting preferably clauses. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made".

The support for these amendments is found in the claims as originally filed. These amendments are being entered to bring the claims into conformance with, *inter alia*, 37 CFR §1.75; no new matter is added.

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## VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

1. A detergent composition comprising an aluminosilicate builder and an anionic surfactant and comprising (n) components (i), n being at least 2, whereby the level of aluminosilicate builder in said components together is at least 5% by weight of the composition and the level of the anionic surfactant in said components together is at least 5% by weight of the composition, and whereby the degree of mixture (M) of the anionic surfactant and the aluminosilicate builder is from 0 to 0.7, M being

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(\sigma_i \cdot \zeta_i)}$$

$\sigma$  is the fraction of the anionic surfactant of the composition comprised in component (i);

$\zeta$  is the fraction of the aluminosilicate of the composition comprised in component (i).

2. A detergent composition according to claim 1 wherein M is from 0 to 0.65 [, preferably from 0 to 0.5 or more preferably 0 to 0.45].
3. A detergent composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim], wherein the components are particles having an weight average particle size of more than 150 microns[, more preferably more than 350 microns].
4. A detergent composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim], wherein anionic surfactant comprises an alkyl sulphonate surfactants or an alkylsulphate surfactant, or mixtures thereof[, preferably comprising an alkyl benzene sulphonate surfactant].
5. A detergent composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim] comprising at least 10% by weight of aluminosilicate builder, whereby part of the aluminosilicate is not comprised in the components[, preferably being admixed to the components].

6. A detergent composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim] wherein the components are components are free of sprayed-on nonionic alkoxyated alcohol surfactants.
7. A composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim] wherein an effervesce system is present.
- 8 [9]. A composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim] in granular form or on the form of a tablet.
- 9 [8]. A composition according to claim 1 [any preceding claim] comprising a hydrogen peroxide source and a bleach activator.
10. Use in a detergent composition of at least two components, which comprise an aluminosilicate at a level of at least 5% by weight of the composition and an anionic surfactant at a level of at least 5% by weight of the composition, and whereby the degree of mixture (M) of the anionic surfactant and the aluminosilicate builder is from 0 to 0.7 for improvement of the delivery of the detergent to the washing water, M being

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(\sigma_i \cdot \zeta_i)}$$

n being the number of said type of components;  $\sigma$  is the fraction of the anionic surfactant of the composition comprised in component (i);  $\zeta$  is the fraction of the aluinosilicate of the composition comprised in component (i).